

...Campbell's Prescription Store...

OUR
Christmas GoodsARE ARRIVING
COR. FORT AND DOUGLAS STREETS.Suffocated
By Coal GasFather and Two Sons Dead—
Dampers of Stove Had
Been Closed.Firebug Makes Two Attempts to
Destroy the Business Por-
tion of Kingsville.St. John, N. B., Dec. 6.—Private ad-
vices from Bathurst state that smallpox
is steadily spreading in Gloucester
county, and fears exist it will enter the
town despite the efforts being made to
check it. The cause of the disease
spreading is said to be due to people con-
cealing the disease from doctors.Charlottetown, P. E. I., Dec. 6.—Nom-
inations for the provincial legislature
took place throughout the island yester-
day. Every seat is being contested.
Premier Farquharson is opposed by Dr.
Douglas in the second district in this
city.Montreal, Dec. 6.—Navigation on the
St. Lawrence and Gulf has practically
closed. The last steamer sailed from
Quebec yesterday.Rudolph Forger, president of the Royal
Electric company, last evening confirmed
the report that the Royal and Canadian
General Electric companies would soon
annul their agreement.The Protestants of Montreal are to
present Father O'Leary, one of the chap-
lains of the first Canadian contingent,
with a challenge and patent.One more member was elected by ac-
clamation in Quebec today. Petit
(Liberal) being returned in Chicoutimi-
Saguenay. Polling takes place today.Donald J. McGillis, secretary-treasurer
of the Montreal Cold Storage and
Freezing company, was this morning
found guilty of conspiracy to defraud
creditors of over \$300,000. He was
recommended to mercy. The jury
reached a verdict after having been
locked up all night, but failed to agree
on a verdict against Alex. McCullough,
of the Croit and McCullough Dairy
company, on a charge of complicity with
McGillis.London, Dec. 6.—Arthur G. Dean,
gardener, aged 22, was almost instantly
killed in the Grand Trunk yards here
yesterday while engaged in coupling
cars.Kingsville, Dec. 6.—Two unsuccessful
attempts to destroy the business portion
of this town were made on Tuesday
night. The authorities have offered a
reward for the arrest and conviction of
the firebug.Toronto, Dec. 6.—According to statis-
tics to hand from Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.,
that town has nearly doubled its popula-
tion in five months.The coroners jury in the case of Mrs.
Margaret Milne, who died in the West-
ern hospital a few days ago, as the
result of a criminal operation, have
brought in a verdict to the effect that
the woman came to her death as the
result of Hazelton's (druggist) operation.The hospital authorities are also con-
demned for not properly caring for the
woman. Hazelton now awaits trial on
the charge of murder.In appreciation of his extended public
services, Hon. A. S. Hardy, who closed
26 years of hard work on behalf of the
province when he retired from the pre-
siership 18 months ago, the Liberals of
the province presented him and Mrs.
Hardy with an address, a magnificent
set of silverware, and a check for the
sum of \$17,000. Subscriptions to come
will swell the amount to \$20,000.The nomination of candidates for the
by-election for the legislature in Wel-
land took place today. (Cross (Liberal)
and McHenry (Conservative) were duly
placed in the field.Fort William, Dec. 6.—Hon. Clifford
Sifton was banquetted here last night
by the citizens of Fort William and
Port Arthur.Woodstock, Dec. 6.—Several thousand
dollars damage was done to pianos in
the storehouse of D. W. Karm & Co. by
fire last night.A young man named Frederick Doll,
who two or three weeks ago was found
lying in snow in a field with only his
right shirt on and part of his ear cut
off, his arm gashed and other parts of
his body mutilated, died at the hospital
here yesterday.Hamilton, Dec. 6.—Hon. Dr. Mon-
tague, ex-M. P., has declined the offer
of his friends of nomination for the
majority of the city.Pictou, Dec. 6.—Abram Drummond
and his two sons, Wesley and Ernest,
aged respectively 9 and 18, were asphyx-
iated by coal gas on Tuesday night. The
discovery was only made last evening,
when the two boys were found dead.The father, who was in an unconscious
condition, died shortly afterwards. In-
vestigation shows that all the dampers
of the coal stove were closed before the
gas had burned off, the escape of which
resulted in the death of the three.Halifax, Dec. 6.—Yesterday was nomi-
nation day in the three counties made
vacant by the resignations of Liberals
to run for parliament. Crosby, Con-
servative, and ex-Mayor Keefe, Liberal,
were nominated. In Pictou, McDonald,
Liberal, and Tanner, Conservative, were
elected by acclamation. In Cape Bre-
ton, McKinnon and Harry Macdonald,
Conservatives, and D. D. McKendall and
Neil J. Gilles, Liberals, were nominated.Two More
LiberalsG. R. Maxwell Has Been Re-Elect-
ed as Representative For
Burard District.In Yale-Cariboo, Latest Returns
Give W. A. Gallie a Sub-
stantial Majority.Vancouver, Dec. 6.—G. R. Maxwell
has been re-elected for Burard district
by a large majority. The vote in Van-
couver city is: Maxwell, 2,284; Garden,
1,847. At Moodyville, Maxwell's ma-
jority is 21. At Port Moody, Garden
has 11 majority, and at Westminster
Junction, Garden has 5 majority, mak-
ing Maxwell's majority, up to the pre-
sent, 442. The northern districts are
yet to be heard from.

Gallie's Lead.

Kamloops, Dec. 6.—As far as heard
from, Gallie, the Liberal member, has
a substantial majority over Foley, the
Labor candidate, with McKane, Con-
servative, third. The places yet to be
heard from are not likely to make mate-
rial change in the results. The returns
are as follows:

Gallie, Foley, McKane.

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Comaplex 5 4 13

Grand Forks 40 39 40

Thompson's Mill 10 2 1

Arrowhead 10 11 30

Rogers' Pass 1 7 5

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Silverton 6 50 10

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FACTS THAT SPEAK LOUD!

From over 270 testimonials, we present a few below. This business is founded on a firm and enduring basis, and these words of praise are but a meagre index of the trade this store honestly deserves. Read on:

Fred. Carro, the Yates street grocer, says: "I have dealt with you to some extent and have found perfect satisfaction in every article sold me."

Mrs. E. Johnson, of Johnson street, writes: "Your Boots have suited me in every way and I cannot recommend them too highly."

James Mellis, of 2 Blanchard street, says: "The Boots you sold me are the best and most comfortable I have ever worn."

Mrs. M. H. McCabe, corner Kane and Blanchard streets, says: "Every pair of Shoes, Boots and Rubbers bought of you have given me most excellent wear and ease."

Wm. Lang, the contractor residing at 27 Avalon road, writes: "Out of over \$65 worth of shoes bought from you in four months not a single pair has failed to be exactly as you represented. My shoe trade is entirely yours."

A. Nichols, 26 Frederick street, says: "Out of six pair of Boots gotten from you only one pair failed to prove themselves. For them you gave me a new pair free of charge."

The Xmas Tide is Here, and the Fancy Slippers to Be Found at Our Counters Cannot Elsewhere Be Duplicated.

SUNDRIES	
Infants' Soft Sole Boots in Red, Tan and Black	10c
Polish in Black and Tan	20c
Cork Insoles	5c
Laces Free with Shoes, or 3 pair for	5c
BOYS' BOOTS	
Buff Boots in Lace, sizes 11 to 5	95c
Calf Boots in Lace, Heavy Soles, all sizes	1.40
Heavy Grain School Boots, all sizes	1.05
HOUSE SLIPPERS	
Men's \$2.00 kind	1.40
Men's \$1.50 kind	1.10
Ladies' "Old Comfort"	50c
Ladies' 1 Strap Dongola	75c
Ladies' 1 Strap Vici	95c
Ladies' 2 Strap Vici	1.40
Ladies' 2 Strap Vici (high heels)	1.50
FELT SLIPPERS	
Ladies' Felt Julietts, for trimmed, in Black and Brown	\$1.10
Same as above, in Red	\$1.15
Ladies' Felt Rompos, in Black only	1.00
Ladies' Felt Slippers, in Black, Brown and Colors, Flexible Soles	90c
Misses' Felt Julietts, Fur Trimmed, in colors	75c
Children's Felt Julietts, same as above	55c
The Felt Stock is surpassed by none. The materials used are the best, and the prices you'll admit are more than fair. Buy them now.	
Every Shoe is New and Distinct in Style.	
LADIES' SHOES	
LOW CUT	
In Black and Brown, Soft Upper and Flexible Soles	65c
Ladies' Low Shoes, in \$2.00 and \$2.25 grades	75c
Black and Colors	75c
Ladies' Dongola Shoes, Patent Leather Trimmed, New Toes	95c
Ladies' Vici Kid Shoes, in three different shapes	1.20
Ladies' Black Box Calf Shoes, in Goodyear Welted Soles	1.25
The "Shoes" mentioned above are the "Oxford" styles.	
LADIES' BOOTS	
Sample Boots, in Black and Colors, in sizes 3, 3½, 4½, 6 and 7	95c
Ladies' Boots in Lace and Button, Goodyear Welted and Machine Sewed	\$1.20
Sample Boots in Black and Colors, in sizes 3, 3½, 4½, 6 and 7's	95c
Ladies' Boots in Button, medium soles, patent or kid tips	\$1.35
Same as above in Lace	1.40
Ladies' Fine Lace Boots	1.70
Ladies' Box Calf and Vici Kid Boots, Lace and Button	1.95
Heavy Goodyear Welted and Turn Soles, all new toe shapes	1.95
LADIES' HIGH-CLASS SHOES	
Made to sell for \$5.00—the newest fashions—the famous (E E E E) shoes—in two styles and the following assortment:	
Ladies' \$5.00 Ideal Kid—hand welts—modified mannish shape	\$2.95
Ladies' \$5.00 Box Calf—hand welts—Cuban heel, extended soles	2.95
Ladies' \$5.00 Vici Kid, in hand turns and welts	\$2.95
Ladies' \$5.00 Enamel Shoes, new lasts, hand welts	2.95
MEN'S BOOTS	
Men's Heavy Working Boots	\$1.70
Men's Light Working Boots	1.50
Men's Box Calf Laced Boots	1.95
Men's Vici Kid Boots	1.95
MEN'S FINE SHOES	
Brocton made shoes, in elegant styles and neat workmanship, shoes that retail everywhere at \$3.50, in following kinds:	
Men's \$3.50 Calf Leather Dress Shoes, Good year welts	\$2.45
Men's \$3.50 Box Calf Street Shoes, double soles	2.45
Men's \$3.50 Vici Kid, three soles and single soles, leather and drill lined	2.45
Men's \$3.50 Box Calf, three soles and single soles, leather and drill lined	2.45
Men's \$3.50 Winter Tans, double soles, drill lined	2.45
Representative \$3.50 lines of shoes in all sizes—choice	2.45

The Tread of Trade is With This Store. Come With the Crowds!

The Factory

PRICES ALWAYS THE LOWEST
QUALITIES ALWAYS THE BEST
GOODS ALWAYS EXCHANGED
MONEY ALWAYS REFUNDED
TRUTHFUL ADVERTISING
COURTEOUS TREATMENT TO ALL

VICTORIA'S GREATEST SHOE STORE
EARL R. SMITH.

YATES STREET.

\$3.50 is the Highest Priced Boot We Sell!

Bet. Broad and Douglas Streets

THIS WEEK'S GAZETTE.

Large Number of Appointments—Rebate on Exported Timber Allowed Till December 31st.

The Provincial Gazette published yesterday contains the following appointments:

To be justices of the peace for the Counties of Victoria, Nanaimo, Vancouver, Westminster, Yale, Carleton and Kootenay: William Oliver, of Skidegate, Queen Charlotte Islands; Charles Edward Thomas, of Princeton; Alfred T. Clark, of Moyie; Patrick Douglas Hope, of Moyie; Captain Edward Barkley, R. N. (retired), of Westholme; William Valentine Leonard, of Salmon Arm; John Duncan Cameron, of Salmon Arm; William Ferris, of the city of Vancouver; James McB. Smith, of the city of Victoria; to be deputy minister of finance, vice Alfred Flett, deceased; John A. Anderson, of the city of Victoria, to be auditor-general; vice J. A. McB. Smith; Archibald Dick, of the city of Nanaimo, to be inspector of metalliferous mines and an inspector of coal mines; such appointment to date from the 1st day of November, 1900.

Hilliard J. Wasson, of Extension, M. D., Robert Telford, of Chetum, M. D., and John W. Bailey, of Union M. D., to be medical health officers for the Nanaimo mining division.

Francis J. Nicholson, of White Horse, Yukon Territory, M. D., to be medical health officer for the Bennett Lake mining division.

John Baird, of Cumberland, government agent, to be acting chief license inspector for the Comox license district, in the absence of Constable John Thompson.

James Punch and William R. Williams, of the city of Phoenix, to be members of the licensing commissioners for the said city, for the year 1900.

The order in council of the 23rd of August, 1900, which provides for the discontinuance, from the 1st day of July, 1900, of the rebate on all timber exported beyond the limits of the province, has been amended so as to provide that the rebate shall be allowed to and be discontinued from the 31st of December, 1900, on all timber shipped to foreign ports without the Dominion.

The following companies have been incorporated: A. W. More & Co., Ltd., capital \$10,000; B. C. and Klondike Trading Company, Ltd., capital \$20,000; Georgia Logging Company, Ltd., capital \$10,000; Grand Prairie Musical and Literary Society, and the Mark Long Company, Ltd., capital \$10,000.

The following extra-provincial companies have been licensed: Canadian Birbeck Investment and Savings Co., of Toronto, capital \$5,000,000; Colonial Investment and Loan Co., of Toronto, capital \$4,000,000; Columbian Proprietary of England, capital £500,000; United Gold Fields of B. C., Ltd., capital £320,000, headquarters in England.

A court of revision for the Atlin and Bennett mining divisions will be held to-day at Atlin, for the southern division of East Kootenay at Fort Steele on January 10th, at Cranbrook on January 11th, and Fernie on the 12th.

Place-claims in Alberni and on the West Coast of Vancouver Island have been laid over until June 1st; and those in the Fort Steele mining division to the same date.

M. King gives notice of his intention to apply at the next session of the legislature for an act to incorporate a company with power to construct and operate a line of railway from a point on Reynolds Sound, Graham Island; thence by a practicable route to a point at or near Skidegate harbor, on Graham Island, Queen Charlotte Islands group; with power to construct branch lines to any points in the Queen Charlotte Islands, and telephone and telegraph lines, warehouses, stores, steamers, wharves, and with necessary powers of expropriation of lands in that behalf, together with all other powers necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of the foregoing objects.

The notice of E. G. Tilton that an application will be made at the next session of the legislature for the incorporation of a company with power to construct and operate a railway from Victoria to Seymour Narrows, thence to the Mainland, as announced in these columns last evening, is also gazetted.

The bill of Representative Shafrath, of Colorado, for the adoption of the metric system by the United States, was favorably received yesterday by the unanimous vote of the house committee on coinage, weights and measures. The bill was changed so as to make the system go into effect on January 1st, 1903.

As a result of the summons obtained by Mr. Arthur Pearson for publishing skill competitions in his weekly paper, Mr. Pearson was yesterday fined \$200 and costs at the Bow street police court, London.

On Tuesday afternoon, a youngster broke into the tool shed of W. H. Dempster, of Fernwood road, and decamped with a number of implements. He was apprehended by a constable, but Mr. Dempster was not desirous of prosecuting, so the lad was allowed to return to his home. Since the robberies at the Crump and Cook residences, the residents in the vicinity are taking extraordinary precautions against the visit of a prowler with sinister designs.

STRUCK CENTRE

When She Found Coffee Was Slowly Killing Her.

Even a very temperate mode of living in regard to food beverages will not avail if the use of coffee is continued. A Virginia lady, Mrs. R. F. Miller, of Bedford City, says that she was very temperate in every way. "I did not suspect that coffee was the poison that was undermining my whole nervous system, causing a condition of vertigo and headaches, until the attacks became so frequent and violent that I was compelled to give up all kinds of work and forest to lie down most of the time."

"My attention was drawn to Postum Food Coffee by the experience of some others in regard to common coffee, and the thought occurred to me that perhaps I began to use Postum, being careful to have it made according to the directions on the package."

"I did not have to cultivate a taste for it, for I found on the start that it was a most delicious beverage."

"Day after day I continued to improve but did not dream that it would be such a help, and never since the day I left off coffee and commenced the use of Postum Food Coffee (about nine months ago) have I had any return of the trouble. I have used no medicine or tonic of any kind during this time, and my present condition of magnificent health is due entirely to the use of Postum Food Coffee."

"I have heard several persons say they did not like Postum but in each case I discovered upon inquiry that it was because they tried to make it like common coffee, that is, half a four or five minutes. This will not do; for one cannot get the delicious flavor and the food value in so short boiling. The directions are plain and simple, and it only requires a little patience to bring out the beautiful flavor."

"The doctors find Postum one of their most valuable aids in their treatment of cases like mine."

THE PASSING THROG.

Arrivals of the Day at City Hotels—Guests of the Coasters.

E. W. Sandison, a Dawson merchant, spent a few days at the Dominion hotel. He says business was brisk in Dawson during the past summer, he himself having sold 100 tons of goods. Mr. Sandison came out over the ice, making a quick and enjoyable trip, and, as far as he could see, most of the stories appearing in the papers regarding the dangerous state of the ice were exaggerated. Mr. Sandison was in the city for the purpose of purchasing a consignment of goods for his establishment in Dawson, and left last evening for Vancouver, where he will purchase a good team of horses and take the first steamer north. Taking the White Pass and Yukon Railway to White Horse he will from there proceed over the ice to Dawson.

A. H. Roberts, a merchant from Dawson, arrived in the city the other day on the steamer Anson, and registered at the Queen's hotel. He is in the city for the purpose of buying supplies. At the present time, he says, a great many miners are just about the same as they are here. Mr. Roberts anticipates a stamped to White Horse in the early part of the spring. He says that the hotel business, both in Dawson and White Horse, is very brisk. Mr. Roberts will leave for the North again in a short time.

Miss Cecelia A. Neplaw, of Oakland, Cal., arrived in the city the other day and registered at the Victoria hotel. Miss Neplaw left last evening to visit her relatives in New York, and will be absent for about three months.

Mr. Charles Turner was among the passengers arriving from Vancouver last evening. He is a guest at the Driad hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dopp, a bridal couple, arrived in the city yesterday and registered at the Dominion hotel.

Capt. J. S. Gibson and R. M. Taylor, of Hamilton, are guests at the Driad hotel.

Klong the Waterfront.

Somewhere outside Cape Flattery in the dense fog bank that has prevailed there for several days is the British ship Gertrude, leaking badly and endeavoring to reach the Sound, where dry dock assistance can be secured, says a Port Townsend dispatch. The Gertrude sailed from Portland several days ago, but on passing out of the river was bumped and strained three times on the treacherous sandbars there which have claimed so many victims in past seasons. The tug Tatosoff has been looking for the Gertrude off the cape for several days without success and was forced back to replenish her coal supply last night. The search for the leaky vessel will be prosecuted by the different vessels of the towing fleet until she is found and brought here to a safe harbor.

It is understood an arrangement will be entered into between the operators of the Rosalia and Schomberg on the Sound route, whereby a morning and evening service will be supplied Victoria by these vessels instead of an exclusively afternoon one, as at present. This would be equally advantageous, it is said, to either company, and will also be a matter of considerable convenience to shippers. It is stated, but not officially, that the arrangement is likely to become effective next week.

A cable from Newcastle, N. S. W., states that a bark loading coal at that port has turned over and sunk. The name of the vessel was not, however, made clear in the cablegram, and more definite information is expected.

C. P. R. bulletin reports that the Lake Ontario arrived at Halifax at 4 a. m. to-day.

READ IT IN THE PAGES.

This is the age of brain trouble, of heart failure, of paralysis and of body weakness. You can read it in the faces of the people you meet. Nervous diseases do not get well of their own accord. Regular and persistent use of Dr. Chase's Nerve Food is the only treatment that can be absolutely relied upon to stop the wasting process which saps vitality from the system. Dr. Chase's Nerve Food creates new rich blood, revitalizes the nerves and permanently cures all nervous diseases. — 50 cents a box.

We'll send you a little to try if you like. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto.

CALL AND INSPECT OUR

NEW XMAS GOODS

2nd Shipment Just Arrived

New Valencia Rasins, New Currants, New Peel, New Sultanas, New Balger's Cut Peel, Layer Malaga Raisins, 5 lb. Boxes Layer Raisins, 5 lb. Boxes New Prunes.

Nice Assortment Cadbury Chocolate Creams, Also Roquefort and Gargenzola Cheese.

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THE BEST PLASTER.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial, and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by Henderson Bros., Wholesale Agents.

It is no hardship to select a Christmas gift at Weller's. Their immense show rooms are filled with useful and appropriate articles to suit all classes. Arranged for easy choosing.

CHEAP RATES.

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In order that the readers of the Times may be supplied with the paper at a little earlier hour than they have been receiving it up to the present time, no changes for advertisements will be received after 10 a.m. This rule is now made imperative, and we trust our advertisers will help us in our efforts to meet the wishes of our subscribers by sending in the copy for their advertisements before that hour.

A DAY OF HUMILIATION.

When Conservatives wished to draw consolation for themselves in times past from a situation which appeared very bleak indeed they were in the habit of saying that British Columbia was Conservative by tradition and that on the first opportunity things which owing to unfortunate circumstances had become crooked would be made straight. They have had their opportunity, such a chance as they are not likely to have for many long years, and we hope they are satisfied. In Burrard's all the great-greats of the party that have not been burst by the Liberals were turned on the position of Mr. Maxwell, and the only tangible result that we can see is a few more aspirants for the Conservative leadership laid permanently aside. Mr. Clarke Wallace, the apostle of racial strife and disunion, was brought in and from the text which he gave the Tuppens and their supporters a vicious campaign was conducted right up to the day of the election. The country has been disappointed in Mr. Gardin. It was never expected that he would lead himself to such disgraceful methods, and now that he has disclosed the depths to which he is prepared to descend for the sake of a party which has fallen even lower than he, surely there will not be great regret in Vancouver if the landslide of yesterday ends the public career of the present Mayor of that city. Mr. Maxwell conducted his campaign almost single-handed as far as the platform work was concerned. Those who had the pleasure of hearing him speak in Victoria will agree with us that he has no reason to fear the open onslaughts of the Tuppens and all their cohorts. But the Conservatives are not in the habit of dealing with their opponents openly. We know that from experience in Victoria with the honored Colonel and his esteemed colleague. The things which are said in secret, which even Tories are ashamed to utter openly, these are the matters which are difficult to meet. It is to the credit of the people of Vancouver that so many of them refused to listen to the charges which were covertly made against the character of Mr. Maxwell and that their answer to the slanders of Mr. Sifton and the attempt to divide the people on lines of race and religion was to bury the Conservative candidate under an avalanche of votes.

The victory of Mr. Gallie in Yale-Cariboo was even more remarkable than that of Mr. Maxwell. The labor candidate, Mr. Foley, is a very popular man, and in addition announced that he is just as good a Liberal as the regular nominee of the party. In the two chief centres of population in the constituency none of the newspapers supported the Liberal candidate. There are two dailies and one weekly in Nelson, all Conservative, while in Rossland one paper supported the Conservative candidate and the other favored Mr. Foley, the nominee of the Labor party. All things considered, it is a remarkable tribute to the strength of the Liberal cause in British Columbia to-day that despite the fact that in two of the constituencies three-cornered contests were waged the stand-

ing of the parties remains the same as in the previous parliament.

There is one gentleman in political life in British Columbia to-day, one who is said to aspire to higher things, who must feel very greatly humiliated because of the exhibition which was given yesterday of the insignificance of his influence over the electorate. The Minister of Mines is said to have visions at times that great things are in store for him in the way of political preferment. In the silent watches of the night we are told that he has had dreams of the member for Dewdney leading a solid Conservative contingent on the government side of the British Columbia legislature. It is even said that he has been intriguing for the purpose of facilitating such a desirable consummation, from a personal point of view. He has been hurled somewhat violently from the lofty eminence to which his dreams and vaulting ambition carried him, and it would be in keeping with the eternal fitness of things political, if when he once more takes up the duties which the people of British Columbia are paying him to perform the Premier were to take him aside and give him "such a dose" as would bring him to a realization of his true position. British Columbia is not Conservative by tradition, by votes, or in any other way. It is radically Liberal, and there are elements in the present government of the province which must be eliminated to insure the stability which we all desire to see. The members of the House have said so, and their opinion was most emphatically endorsed by the Mainland yesterday, and by the Island some time ago. The strongest government that ever guided the affairs of British Columbia can be formed from the membership of the present House, and if the Premier be wise he will base no time in making such a rearrangement of the portfolios as will secure him the hearty support of a substantial and permanent majority.

THE PROTEST.

The Colonist is filled with grief because the Liberals propose to protest the election of Messrs. Prior and Earle. It would indeed be a woeful sight for the Tories to see the only remaining relic in British Columbia of a "once great party" removed and buried. But there should be balm for the soul of our downcast contemporary in the thought that if its virtuous friends have committed no wrong the Liberals cannot possibly have a case against them. On the other hand, if they secured the seats which they covet by improper means, as on previous occasions, it is the duty of the friends of the government, as patriotic men, to do all in their power to have the elections voided and men who truly represent the sentiments of the people elected in their stead.

IN SACKS OF LOTH AND ASHES.

The Colonist administers a salutary rebuke to its political friends this morning for the manner in which they conducted the late election campaign. If the tactics of the Conservatives had been successful this post-mortem lecture would never have been delivered, but that fact detracts not at all from its usefulness. There is a phase of the matter with which our contemporary fails to deal. It commends itself very highly for refusing to have any part in the effects which were made to stir up racial feeling in a country whose future depends so much a large extent upon all within its borders living together in peace and harmony. But in spite of the spasm of virtue which has overtaken the Colonist, it remains true that the campaign conducted by the Montreal Star was essentially on the same lines as that of Col. Prior and Mr. Earle in Victoria. The literature printed in the Star office was circulated regularly in the morning by the Conservative paper. It may not have been put in editorial form, but it reached Colonist subscribers either in the shape of circular "literature" or was printed as extracts from Eastern Tory papers. Under the circumstances, the Colonist cannot altogether divest itself of responsibility for the nature of the campaign nor for the fate which has deservedly overtaken its party. There was no what may be called legitimate campaign waged against the Liberals in the district of Victoria. The cry was to put down Tarte and make an end of French domination. The Minister of Public Works administers one of the chief departments, the department with which the greatest of the many great scandals that disgraced Tory rule in Canada were connected. No fault could be found with the manner in which the affairs of the department were conducted. But the Minister was the man who exposed the wrongdoing of the Conservatives, and the methods by which they were enabled to retain power, and if he could not be reached in any other way he could be assailed as a Frenchman and a traitor to British institutions. That was the chief end of the campaign in Victoria. It was the means by which Col. Prior and Mr. Earle secured their seats. There is not a doubt about it. It was disgraceful and altogether wrong, as the Colonist now admits, therefore the Colonist and his colleague were not elected by fair means. If to their other offences can be added corruption and illegal acts the Liberals owe a duty to themselves and to the community generally to do all in their power to prevent the members-elect from taking their seats in the House.

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The Warhorse of Cumberland was peering on the streets of Victoria to-day. He has gone through some very trying contests of late, and yet he does not seem greatly cast down. Sir Charles has proved himself a very indifferent general, and we believe it is well for Canada that his style of political warfare has been so completely discredited that no leader will ever dare to raise such issues again. But when one meets the sturdy old figure on the streets, bowed down with the weight of many years, and considers the great strains which he must have been subjected to within the last month or two, the hand instinctively goes to the hat. The Baronet in some respects compels a tribute of admiration.

But for the protection of Great Britain, Holland would long ago have been gobbled up by one of the great European powers, and yet that insignificant nation, at the present day practically a dependency, has decided to receive in state a man who is not only an enemy of Great Britain, but a menace to the peace of the world. There is no such virtue as national gratitude.

Sir Charles, Sir Herbert and many of their supporters predicted with the utmost confidence that there would not be a single Liberal elected west of Lake Superior. There have been four Conservative returns.

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Local shipbuilders Ready to Operate a Large Industry if Assistance Is Granted.

A shipbuilding firm, with the Messrs. Bullen, of the Esquimalt marine works; Messrs. Woods, of the Moodyville mill; and other well known business men of this city as promoters, is under formation. The company purpose building vessels particularly of the wooden schooner type, for the lumber carrying trade, capable of handling 1,000,000 feet of lumber, and fitted with steam appliances for the working of cargo. Such an industry will be run in conjunction with the Esquimalt marine railway, and will be the means of keeping a large force of mechanics constantly employed in this city. A double purpose will thus be served, for in the event of a big contract for repair work to be executed on the Dunsmuir, which now occupies the ways, a new job could be allowed to stand and the men changed from one service to another.

The members of the prospective company have had such a scheme on foot for upwards of a year, and with the advantages of having an ally in the Esquimalt mill, and a new job could be allowed to stand and the men changed from one service to another.

It is interesting to note in this connection that a ship subsidy bill is now before Congress to promote the commerce and increase the foreign trade of the United States and to provide auxiliary means of transport and seamen for government use when necessary. The sponsor of the bill maintains that the ships of Great Britain had an advantage of from \$4.50 to \$5 per gross ton over American ships in the expense of construction and operation.

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With characteristic enterprise the management of the Westside have just issued a catalogue which would reflect credit on any establishment in the Dominion. It consists of 112 pages of pink paper, and contains a list of articles which at this particular season of the year will be greatly in demand. With the appearance of this publication the "time" is past when the patrons will be compelled to walk to town or traverse any great distance in order to ascertain whether a certain article is in stock. On the contrary, with this catalogue all that is required is a perusal, and complete information as to description and price can be gained.

The catalogue will be circulated principally among the suburbs and communities outside the city, and its value in this respect is quite apparent. In co-operation with the Westside management in the publication of this catalogue, Messrs. Westler Bros., Bookbinding & Stationery Co., Stationery Co., Patterson Shoe Company, Ltd., A. A. Clayton, Waitt & Co., and J. W. Mellor.

A feature of the publication is the striking design on the cover, which springs from the profile imagination of Messrs. Hector, manager of the Westside, and "The" artist, who has represented the figure of a fashionably attired lady standing in the midst of a typical autumn scene. On the other side is a reproduction

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Published by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 7, 3 a. m.—The area of high barometer continues to occupy its position from the high plateau district of central Oregon to Manitoba and the region of the Great Lakes. From California northwards the barometric pressure is slowly giving way in advance of what seems to be an ocean disturbance still at some distance from our Coast. A marked area of low barometer was last night central in the Gulf of Mexico and has since moved eastward to Edmonton. These conditions are causing light winds and somewhat cooler weather over the Pacific slope. Fog is general west of the mountain ranges. The weather is cold in Manitoba.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Saturday. Victoria and vicinity—Light winds, chiefly from east, continued cloudy and mild, with fog and occasional rain.

Lower Mainland—Light winds, continued cloudy and mild, with occasional rain.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.11; temperature, 48; minimum, 45; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .03; weather, cloudy.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 46; minimum, 44; wind, calm; rain, .02; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.10; temperature, 42; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.16; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, 10 miles N.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

—You will find it in the B. C. Guide, 5c per copy, 50c per year, in all book stores in B. C.

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—The management of the Fifth Regiment ball desire that those entitled to tickets will make application at once in order that they may not be a rush at the last moment. Those who have flags which they can spare for decoration purposes would confer a favor by notifying the secretary of the committee, R. W. Lindsay, care of Major Ben. Williams.

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—A meeting of those interested in the good roads agitation for the city, is called for the benefit of trade rooms to-night by D. R. Kerr, the vice-president for this district of the Good Roads Association.

—Jones, Crane & Co., draw attention of marine men to their advertisement for the sale of the steamer Katie, to be out under the hammer at the City Auction Mart, 73 Yates street, 11 a. m. Saturday, the 8th inst.

—Str. Rosalie. Fare 50c to Seattle.

—At the second of the Advent series of organ recitals, to be given at St. John's church on Sunday evening next, Mr. Longfield will be assisted by the following vocalists: Miss Annabelle Russell, Miss Miller and Mr. Crane, and solo violinist and assistant organist, Josie Longfield.

—The Local Council of Women have decided to hold their annual meeting in the city hall on Monday next. The opening session will commence at 10 o'clock in the morning, and the afternoon meeting will open at 2 o'clock sharp. A service of intercession for the work of the council was held in the Christ Church Cathedral this morning.

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—The regular monthly meeting of the school board will be held next Wednesday evening.

—Superficial hair moles and facial blemishes removed by electrolysis, room No. 2, 114 Yates street.

—John McMillan lectures to-night in the A. O. U. W. hall on "Human Destiny in Economics," under the auspices of the federated societies board.

—A parlor social was given by the central W. C. T. U. at the residence of Mrs. L. Goodacre, Pandora avenue, yesterday afternoon. There was a large attendance, and all present heartily enjoyed themselves.

—Just received direct from England, a complete stock of Hockey Sticks, Footballs, Walking Sticks, etc., at Henry Short & Sons.

—The annual dinner of the Pioneer Society will be held to-night at the Victoria hotel, commencing at 8 o'clock. This banquet is always one of the best of its kind, and the present promises to be no exception to the rule.

—Selecting Christmas presents is always a difficulty. Kodaks and finishing outfits make appropriate gifts. We have them, for beginners, from \$1.00. Best quality kodaks, \$5.00 to \$25.00. Fleming Bros., 52 Government street.

—Miss Elaine Telfor, character dancer, drill hall to-morrow evening.

—A meeting of those interested in seeing that the Sabbath is better observed in this city is called for Wednesday evening next, when a full attendance of those interested is urged. The meeting will be held at the Temperance hall at 8 o'clock.

—At the third session of the James Bay parliament held in the Methodist church, James Bay, the government was defeated on a bill for the enfranchising of women. The government formally resigned, and on January 17th the new parliament will meet.

—Battle Royal at Drill Hall, to-night. J.B.A.A. vs. Seattle. Basket ball.

—The elegant Klondike souvenir for William Jennings Bryan, gotten up by the Klondike Nugget, is now on its way to Seattle to be forwarded to the distinguished Nebraska statesman. While Mr. Bryan was defeated in the states for the presidency, he won out by an admirable majority in the Klondike, where, as has before been stated, a mock election was conducted by the Nugget, of which the gold souvenir is commemorative.

—His Worship Mayor Hayward last evening entertained the following gentlemen at a dinner party: Aldermen Kinsman, Williams, Cameron, Brydon, Beckwith, Stewart, Yates, Cooley and Hall; Rev. Elliott S. Rowe; Hon. J. H. Turner, M. P. P.; H. D. Helmecken, M. P. P.; Richard Hall, M. P. P.; W. J. Taylor, J. M. Bradburn, Dr. Fraser, W. J. Dowler, Charles Kent, W. W. Northcott, J. A. Raymer, C. H. Topp, and Henry Goward.

—The B. C. Land & Investment Agency have purchased the local improvement debentures of the corporation of the city of Victoria at par. The debentures amount to \$15,550—\$7,500 and \$8,050 under authority of the Yates and Peadar streets local improvement by-law. The debentures are redeemable in ten years, and bear interest at 4 per cent, per annum, payable semi-annually with principal and interest. The last three issues of debentures have been purchased by the same company.

—The case of the Victoria Transfer Company vs. the B. C. Cold Storage Co. is being heard to-day in County court before Mr. Justice Martin. This is an action arising out of an accident on the Oak Bay car line on September 8th, when a car loaded with passengers, bound to the lacrosse match, struck a horse attached to the B. C. Cold Storage Company's wagon, and which afterwards died. The Victoria Transfer Co., who rented the horse to the Cold Storage Co., instituted action against the latter for the recovery of the value of the horse, while the defendants seek to fix the blame on the Electric Railway Co.

—The fourth matinee of the series to be given by the Savoy company will take place in the A. O. U. W. hall to-morrow afternoon. As on the previous occasions an excellent programme will be presented by a galaxy of talent rarely eclipsed on the Vancouver stage in this or any other city. Vocal selections, comical sketches, dainty dances, and other specialties will constitute an entertainment which is certain to please an anticipated large audience. The attendance at last Saturday's events surpassed that of its predecessors, and should the tide of increase be exemplified to-morrow the seating accommodation of the hall will be taxed to its utmost capacity.

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FOX'S

—Don't miss the promenade concert at drill hall to-morrow evening.

—International Championship Basket ball, to-night, at Drill Hall.

—This morning in the presence of the ladies of the Catholic fair, the handsome crocheted quilt was raffled off, and won by number 20, drawn by B. J. Perry. This was the last incident in connection with the recent bazaar.

—The bazaar given by the ladies of the Reformed Episcopal in the Philharmonic hall during the past two days closed last evening with the rendering of an excellent programme, and the disposing of the articles left over from the sale of work by auction.

—Fresh Oysters Daily from our own beds at Sooke. Wholesale or retail, by sack or gallon. Apply New England Hotel.

—The death occurred at the St. Joseph's hospital yesterday of Ed. Lines. Deceased was a native of Oxford, Eng., and has resided in this city for 33 years. He leaves a widow and six children. The funeral will take place from Hanna's parlors at 2:30 o'clock to-morrow, and later from Christ Church-Cathedral. Rev. Canon Beauland will conduct the services.

—Seattle Y.M.C.A. vs. Victoria J.B.A. A. Basket ball at Drill Hall, to-night.

—A masquerade ball was held last Wednesday evening in the agricultural hall, Saanich, under the management of A. C. Beech. A special train left the V. & S. station at 8 o'clock, carrying a large number of passengers from the city. The hall was crowded and dancing continued until 2 o'clock in the morning, when the Victoria people caught a special train for the city and residents of Saanich dispersed to their homes.

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Conservatives Postpone Choice of Leader, Hoping for a New Man.

(Associated Press.)

Toronto, Dec. 7.—The Mail and Empire says Sir Charles Tupper is to devote the rest of his life to insurance business, as president of the Crown Life Insurance Company, which secured a charter at the last session of parliament.

The World publishes what is regarded as an authoritative statement respecting the Conservative Federal conference held here yesterday. It says that the leadership of the party may be put in commission for a session or two with the idea of letting a new man come forth. The conference took the view that no Federal bye-elections would be held until after next session. At the close of the conference the members stated a seat in Ontario would certainly be found for G. E. Foster.

The Baptist foreign mission board of Ontario and Quebec has just received a report of the distribution of the Indian famine relief fund sent to Rev. John O'Leary for distribution. It states that in British Columbia the famine has been wiped out by famine.

Rev. J. Alexander, Baptist minister, died here this morning, aged 72 years.

A movement is on foot among the doctors of the city to form a medical association for the purpose of protection.

Hamilton, Dec. 7.—George Arthur Pearson, who confessed to having shot Annie Griffin, his sweetheart, on Sunday afternoon, September 23rd, while out driving, because she threatened to expose him for making improper proposals to her, was hanged at 7.50 this morning.

QUEBEC ELECTIONS.

Montreal, Dec. 7.—With 37 candidates, all Liberals, elected by acclamation, and two elections to be held later, there is little interest being manifested in the remaining 55 constituencies being contested in the province of Quebec today. The Conservatives, in a large extent, manifest little or no desire to elect more than a dozen or so of their supporters, being content to allow the Liberals to sweep the province otherwise.

NOTES FROM NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, Dec. 7.—The officers of the Nanaimo and District Agricultural Association elected last night the following: President, J. Booth; vice-president, D. Cook; secretary, R. Malpas; treasurer, George Morris. Vice-presidents were elected for all neighboring districts. An old man who died in the last stage of destruction, was discovered today to have been a miser. An examination of his effects revealed \$8000 stowed in a tobacco box, and a sum banked in the name of his estate. It is expected other sums will be unearthed.

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SPORTING NEWS.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.
Tomorrow afternoon an Association football match will be played between the Victoria team and a team from H. M. S. Warspite. The following will represent Victoria: Goal, Jones; backs, Howard and Schwenger; half backs, Johnson, Lorimer and Rutherford; forwards, Richardson, Campbell, Lorimer, Noy and Simpson. The game will start at three o'clock.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.
Tomorrow afternoon in the Caledonia grounds a match will be played between the Victoria team and the Navy players. The names of the former have been published.

The High and Collegiate schools met in the second of the Junior League Rugby matches at the Caledonia grounds tomorrow afternoon at 1:45. The following are the teams:

High School—Full back, F. Shanks; three-quarters, L. Anderson, T. Winby, P. Gough and W. Blackburn; halves, C. Pines and C. Cameron; forwards, L. Northey, R. Gibson, H. Marchant, W. Peterson, J. Coates, G. Robertson, A. Levy and C. Callaway.

Collegiate School—Full back, Johnson; three-quarters, Campbell, Bell, Marshall, Keefe; halves, Newcombe, Wilnot; forwards, Harrison, Cornwell, Hamilton, Dart, Jenion, Kerfoot, Todd, Patton.

Steamer Charmer left Vancouver at 1.25 this afternoon, after connecting with the train from the East.

SHIPPING NEWS

HAPPENINGS OF A DAY ALONG THE WATERFRONT.

VICTORIA TIDES.

By F. Napier Denison.

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.8 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt dry dock.

Saturday, Dec. 8.		Sunday, Dec. 9.	
Time.	Height above zero.	Time.	Height above zero.
6:30 a.m.	8.4 feet.	7:10 a.m.	8.3 feet.
10:30 a.m.	8.0 feet.	11:30 a.m.	7.8 feet.
2:40 p.m.	8.0 feet.	2:30 p.m.	8.6 feet.
10:30 p.m.	8.8 feet.	10:30 p.m.	1.3 feet.

—Next Sunday evening Rev. Dr. Campbell will give in the First Presbyterian church a lecture on Presbyterianism; the Established Church of Scotland; the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland; the Free Church of Scotland; and the union which took place in Edinburgh on the 31st of October, which is one of the greatest events of the century in Scotland. This is the first of a series of Sunday evening lectures.

Steamer Rosalie will leave for Seattle to-night at 10 o'clock instead of the usual hour of 8, as she is waiting to carry back the Seattle Basketball team and friends. Returning, she will leave Seattle to-morrow (Saturday) evening at 8:30 p. m., thus giving Victorians who go to Seattle to-night all day to-morrow there.

Schooners Oscar and Hattie, Favorite and Alby L. Alar are on Tupper's voyage being made ready for next year's sealing voyage. The Florence M. Smith was launched from the ways yesterday.

The Lorne arrived from the Cape last evening after towing the lumber-laden ship Atlanta to sea. The steamer will remain in port for a few days for a "blow down."

Back Carrollton left the dry dock yesterday afternoon, where she has been cleaned and painted.

Ship St. Mary's left Esquimalt yesterday morning in tow for Tacoma.

ALPHA RETURNS DISABLED.

Steamer Meets With an Accident While on Her Way to Orient.

Steamer Alpha, Capt. Young, which left here for the Orient at noon on Wednesday, put back to port shortly after 12 today in a disabled condition. The exact nature of the steamer's troubles could not be learned either from Capt. Young or Mr. Barber, the representative owner of the steamer aboard, beyond the fact that the ship broke some of her sea connections. As a result the vessel is taking in water, and as the steam pumps are not working satisfactorily men are engaged at manipulating the hand pump.

The accident occurred when the steamer was one day's steaming out from port, and how long it is likely to detain the ship in port could not be ascertained.

The Alpha has a large cargo of salted salmon aboard, there being between 500 and 600 tons of the salted fish in case and in bulk. This was her first trip in the trans-Pacific business.

PROMENADE CONCERT.

An Attractive Programme Arranged for To-morrow Evening at the Drill Hall.

An especially inviting programme has been prepared by Acting Bandmaster Carroll for to-morrow evening's promenade concert at the drill hall, the musical numbers selected being a judicious mixture of both classic and popular music. Miss Elaine Telfer, in character dances, is to be the extra attraction. Appended is the complete programme:

PART I.
Introduction—"Dramatic"—Keler Bela.
Characteristic—"A Russian Carriage Song"—Thornton.
Selection on Popular Melodies—Marion.
Ladies' Glee—"Dance in Costume"—Miss Elaine Telfer.
Valse, by request—"Sounds From Erin"—Bridges.
PART II.
Medley Selection—"The Winner"—Mackie (Introducing "Cinderella").
"My Sunday Dolly." "Daddy's Gowing to Bring You Something Nice." "Just One, Girl." "Miss Helen Hunt." "Just as the Sun Went Down." "Lazy Bill." "All Bound Round With a Woolen String." "Hats Off to the Boys." "Who Made Good." and Grand Finale.

Sailors' Harp (in costume).....
Miss Elaine Telfer.
Patrol—"The Crack Regiment"—Braham.
Valse—"Symphony"—Bendix.
Little March—"Off to Camp"—Silverberg.
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CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

The board of licensing commissioners will hold their regular quarterly meeting next Wednesday afternoon.

In the case of Roscovitz vs. White, which was heard yesterday in the County court, Mr. Justice Martin gave judgment for \$150 in favor of the defendant (plaintiff on counter claim).

At the next meeting of the city council the mayor will move: "That a special committee be appointed to consider and report upon plans and estimates submitted herewith for the reclamation and utilization of the James Bay tidal flats, and for the construction of a stone retaining wall with steps and landing, and permanent roadway on or near the site of the present James Bay bridge."

This morning Magistrate Hall sentenced Albert Cole to one month's imprisonment with hard labor for the theft of some lead from John Colbert. It was only a little more than a month ago when he was discharged with a caution for a similar offense. His father was in court this morning and expressed regret that his son violated the law. In passing sentence the magistrate pointed out that some of the second-hand dealers were culpable in purchasing the goods from boys, and thereby encouraging them to steal more. Harris, a Spanish Indian, was fined \$25 and \$1 each or one month imprisonment for being in possession of intoxicants. A Spanish called Doctor was fined \$5 and \$2 each for drunkenness. The case of Young Tim, charged with cutting and wounding Wong Choy Tin, was resumed this morning. Chief Langley prosecuting, and Frank Higgins defending. It was ultimately remanded until Monday morning.

THE PHEASANT

Has Sailed From Panama-Colombo May Pay Indemnity for Seizure of Tabago.

(Associated Press.)

Kingston, Jan., Dec. 7.—The British steamer Louisiana, from Colon, today reports that the British gunboat Pheasant arrived at Panama recently, and left that port without any important incident. The Pheasant was sent to investigate the seizure of the British steamer Tabago by the Colombia authorities. It is believed the Tabago matter will be settled by the paying of an indemnity to the Pacific Navigation company, owners of the vessel.

THE Half-Tone Plates

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